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In the Restriction Requirement dated June 18, 2004, the Examiner alleged that the present application allegedly contains nine patentably distinct species directed to Figures 2, 16, 24, 28, 37, 44, 45, 47 and 59, respectively of the claimed invention, and has required the Applicants to elect one.

As required under 35 U.S.C. § 121, Applicants hereby elect the species disclose in Figure 9, claims 166-172 are readable on this elected species.

Respectfully submitted,

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